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## Decision Notice Bear Paw Gun Club Shooting Range Grant

The Bear Paw Gun Club in Big Sandy, Montana has been working toward making their club facilities handicapped accessible. The Bear Paw Gun Club proposes to build an ADA compliant restroom inside the club building. The Town of Big Sandy has agreed to donate the water line to the club house. The grant application requests \$2,955, to be matched by the Bear Paw Gun Club for construction of the bathroom, fixtures and materials. The organization has applied for a grant under the Montana Shooting Range Development Program for \$2,955 in partial funding of the \$6,055 total cost.

A review of the grant proposal has been completed. The bathroom will be constructed within the existing club house with city providing water system, and therefore is exempt from an Environmental Assessment under MEPA (Montana Environmental Policy Act), IAW the MEPA Model Rules implemented under Title 75, chapter 1, MCA, the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) para. III...

(5) The agency is not required to prepare an EA or an EIS for the following categories of action:...(c) minor repairs, operations, or maintenance of existing equipment or facilities;

This project uses no federal funds nor does it take place on state owned or controlled property: therefore, the Federal 106 Regulations and the State Antiquities' Act do not apply.

As a result of the review, funding for this proposed project is approved, pending the Bear Paw Gun Club's completion of other administrative requirements under the Shooting Range Development Program. For any question or comments concerning this grant contact FWP, PO Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620, or e-mail kcunningham@mt.gov